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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1 – 8

Part B for. Mar 16

SUBJECT.

Irregularities in the B.C. Jail

To The I.G. of Prisons } 5821 2
a Comptr } 25/3/16

Sanction the dismissal of Mr Edwd Dale & the reversion of Mr M Swamy & state that Mr J. S. Nanjappa Sh) has exercised great care & tact in inspecting the provisions & in managing the Jail

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(Prisons)

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FILE HEADING.

~~Appointment of Mr V. Muthusami Doss as acting Supdt. of the Bangalore Central Jail~~
Irregularities in the B.C. Jail.

From

The I G of Prisons in Mysore

No. 1422-100-07 Dated 18-8-15 Received 19.8.15

Diary No. 7526	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Requests that, for reasons stated, Mr. V. Muthusami Doss, Dt. Medical Officer, may be appointed to act as Supdt. Central Jail, Bangalore, & that Mr. T.S. Nanjappa, Actg. Supdt. of the Jail, may be posted as Dt. Medical Officer, Bangalore.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

D Subd. for orders.

B.G. 19.8.15. VM

Seen. Pass order.

"Brn for immediate submn to Extraordinary Member & Dewan"

(Sd.) V.R.T.
19.8.15.

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2) In this connection, attention is respectfully invited to the Secretary's note in para 56 in Prisons file No 46 of 1913-14 Submitted for favour of orders.

S Srinivasa Iyer 19.8.15

Extra ordinary Member Dewan

3) Mr. Nanjappa's work in the Jail was considered satisfactory and he was recently recommended by the Inspector General of Prisons to be appointed sub-pro-tem. This question is still under consideration. From the mere circumstance that he was assaulted by a reckless character, it cannot be presumed that he will not be able to maintain his dignity and enforce discipline in the Jail. In the interests of Jail discipline, his immediate transfer from the charge of the Jail as suggested by the Inspector General ~~of~~ is not desirable as it may lead prisoners and Jail subordinates to think that an officer is only to be assaulted to be got rid of.

4) The Inspector General has found on examination that the dhal and bullar in stock were worm-eaten and unfit for human consumption and that Mr. Nanjappa had carelessly passed them the day before It is also said that the offender complained that

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Mr. Nanjappa was indifferent to complaints and irregularities. The Inspector General may be asked to enquire departmentally what truth there is in the alleged irregularities, hear Mr. Nanjappa also in regard to them and submit a report. On receipt thereof, his recommendation for Mr. Nanjappa's transfer may be considered.

5) In the meantime the recommendation regarding the appointment of Mr. Nanjappa sub-pro-tem may lie over.

20.8.15.

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6) Please put up draft.

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7) Draft subd.

21.8.15.

8) Issue orders

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2 To The I.G.P. Prisons. no. J 87587 21.8.15.

Requests him to make a departmental enquiry giving Mr. Nanjappa an opportunity to explain himself and submit a report

3 From The I.G.P. Prisons. no. 1431-100-07 dt 21.8.15.

Requests that Mr. Tate, Chief Tailor, Bangalore Central Jail, may be transferred to Mysore; & that

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The Jailer of the Imperial Jail to may be posted as Chief Jailer, Bangalore, & that an officer of judicial experience may be deputed for a few weeks to hold an enquiry into the case as the circumstances connected with the assault are capable of complicated speculation

9) Subd. for orders.

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21-8-15.

10) The Dy. Commrs may himself conduct the enquiry and submit the report on the record to Government. If any other officer is considered necessary, then in status of the officer to be appointed should be higher than that of Mr. D.S. Nanjappa. An ~~officer~~ who can conduct the enquiry at Bangalore and who has judicial experience has to be selected. The Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore may perhaps be proposed.

11) The question of transfer of the chief jailer may be considered after the report of the enquiry is received.

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Secretary)

12) The Criminal Case

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The assault will be tried by the city magistrate as stated by the D.S. of Prisons in para 3 of his letter dt 18/8/15

(3) As regards the departmental inquiry suggested by the D.S. of Prisons, it may be conducted by the D.S. of Prisons himself or by himself & another officer to be nominated by Govt

HTT
24/8/15

Extra ordinary Member

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The file is returned as directed by the Extraordinary member, as the matter was discussed in the Council meeting yesterday and orders have been passed.

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Pl B^r III. for achn on the Council Resolution dtd Yesterday

27/8/15

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 358th Meeting
of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja,
held at Bangalore on the 25th August 1915.

20. Subject.-(Clause v of the Schedule).

Transfer of Mr. T.S. Nanjappa from the charge of the Central Jail, Bangalore and consequential arrangements.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

14) Pending further orders, Mr. T.S. Nanjappa may be posted for the work of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Bangalore, and Mr. Muttusami Dass appointed to the charge of the Central Jail.

15) The transfers of the Jailors proposed by the Inspector General of Prisons may be approved.

16) The Deputy Commissioner and the Efficiency Audit Officer may be requested to conduct the enquiry into the irregularities brought to light in the Central Jail.

Sd/- M. Visvesvaraya.
Dewan of Mysore.

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D. M. Narasimhaiya

Secretary to Government,
General Department.

B'lll for immediate action
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17) Two drafts are put up. The scale pay of the Chief Jailor Bangalore Central jail is Rs 150 - 5 - 175 and that of the Jailor, Mysore Jail is Rs 100 - 5 - 125, and Messrs Jate and Narasimhia as incumbents of these places are drawing the minimum pay of the appointments. It is a point for consideration if it is to be made clear whether the transfers now proposed involve a corresponding change in the pay drawn by the two persons.

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18) No change in the pay are appar entailed by these transfers.

19) Drafts submitted for appro sanction whether D. S. N is necessary.

Secretary)

20) As D. S. N may be put up the drafts are appd MT 27/8/15

21) D. S. N. put up.

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Secretary) 21)

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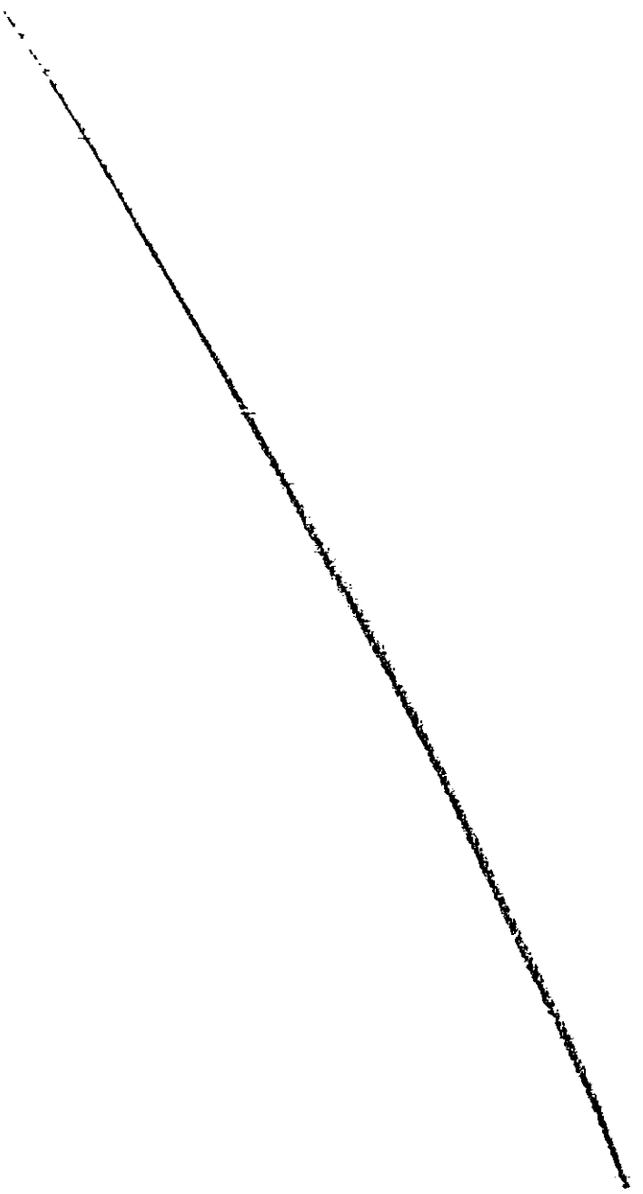

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Submitted to His Highness.

23 Mr. T.S. Nanjappa, Surgeon, temporarily in charge of the Central Jail, Bangalore, was on the 17th August assaulted by a convict and the circumstances under which the assault was committed are set forth in the report of the Inspector General of Prisons.

Paper under disposal I

24 2. The Inspector General of Prisons considers that Mr. Nanjappa cannot hereafter maintain his dignity and enforce discipline in the Jail and has therefore proposed his transfer as District Medical Officer, Bangalore, in place of Mr.V. Muthusami Doss who is to be placed in charge of the Central Jail temporarily. It is also proposed to transfer the Jailor of the Central Jail to the Mysore Jail and to depute an officer having judicial experience to hold an enquiry into the irregularities brought to light.

Paper under disposal I

Paper under disposal II

25 3. These proposals were considered and approved in Council and it was resolved to depute the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, and the Efficiency Audit Officer to conduct the enquiry.

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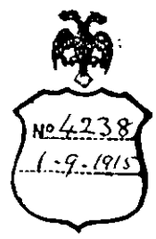
26 4. The drafts embodying the recommendation of the Council may be graciously approved.

Drafts for approval I & II.

M. Krishnaraja

31 st Aug 1915

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

Draft orders regarding an assault committed against Mr.T.S.Nanjappa Surgeon in charge of the Central Jail, Bangalore, on the 17th August by a convict and other irregularities in the Jail.

Order.

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2/9/15

Secretary

2) The papers may be once more placed before the Extraordinary Member before order issue

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3) Draft to be placed revised after rectifying the defects now noted

3/9/15

4) As above

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Do. N° 97

The Palace, Bangalore,
2nd September 1915.

Dear sir,

31) I am directed by the Extraordinary Member of Council to state that it was suggested to the Dewan yesterday that the enquiry into the case of assault on Mr. T.S. Nanjappa and the alleged irregularities in the Jail might be conducted by the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore and Mr. Achyuta Rao jointly, aided by the Efficiency Audit Officer and that the Dewar was agreeable to it. I am to request you to take th needful action to appoint Mr. Achyuta Rao to hold the enquiry jointly with the Deputy Commissioner, after

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32) No 97 of 2/9/15

Do. for the Private Secy to the Extraordinary Member of Council

The file is, I believe, before the Dewan

The Council Resolution will have to be slightly altered

BV III for immediate attention

BVT
2/9/15

Sd/-
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Draft as revised.

AB
3/9/15

34) Draft approved

Sd/-
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Secretary)

35) As desired by the Dewan in para 28 above

Sd/-

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consulting the Dewan.

Yours sincerely,

K. Mylarrao

V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esq., M.A.,

Revenue Secretary to Government,

B a n g a l o r e.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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38) Submitted for appl before time. After time it will be again submitted to H H the Maharaja for approval

Sd
3/9/15

Extraordinary Member

37) Drafts approved by the Extraordinary Member - The Extraordinary member suggests that Mr Achyutarao may first be consulted demi officially as to whether he is agreeable to conduct the enquiry and the draft order issued only if he is agreeable to do so -

6. 9. 15. Sd

38) Let this be done at once

Sd 7/9/15

39) Issue at once draft-Be

Sd

To Mr P.S. Achyutharao no J 1005 dt 7. 9. 15 Sd

Intimates that an enquiry is proposed to be held and enquiries if he has any objection to conduct the same.

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From Mr P. S. Achyuta Rao dt. 8.9.15

Intimates that he is agreeable to conduct the Enquiry.

40) May the draft order and notification issue?

9/9/15)

Issue

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To the D.S. of Prisons, the Dr. Bangalore, the E. A. officer, the Comptroller, and Mr P.S. Achyuta Rao nos. 1042-7 | Pris 19-15-4 dt 10.9.15.

Approves the proposed transfers of the Chief Jailor, B. C. Jail to Mysore Jail & of the Jailor Mysore Jail to B C. Jail & directs an enquiry being conducted into the irregularities brought to light.

To the Compiler, Mysore Gazette, no. 1048 dt 10.9.15.

Notifies the transfer of Mr Narasappa as D.M. & S.O Bangalore & appoints Mr Muthusami Doss to be in charge of the Central Jail Bangalore.

42) Submit with a D.S.N. with reference to para 37

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Secretary)

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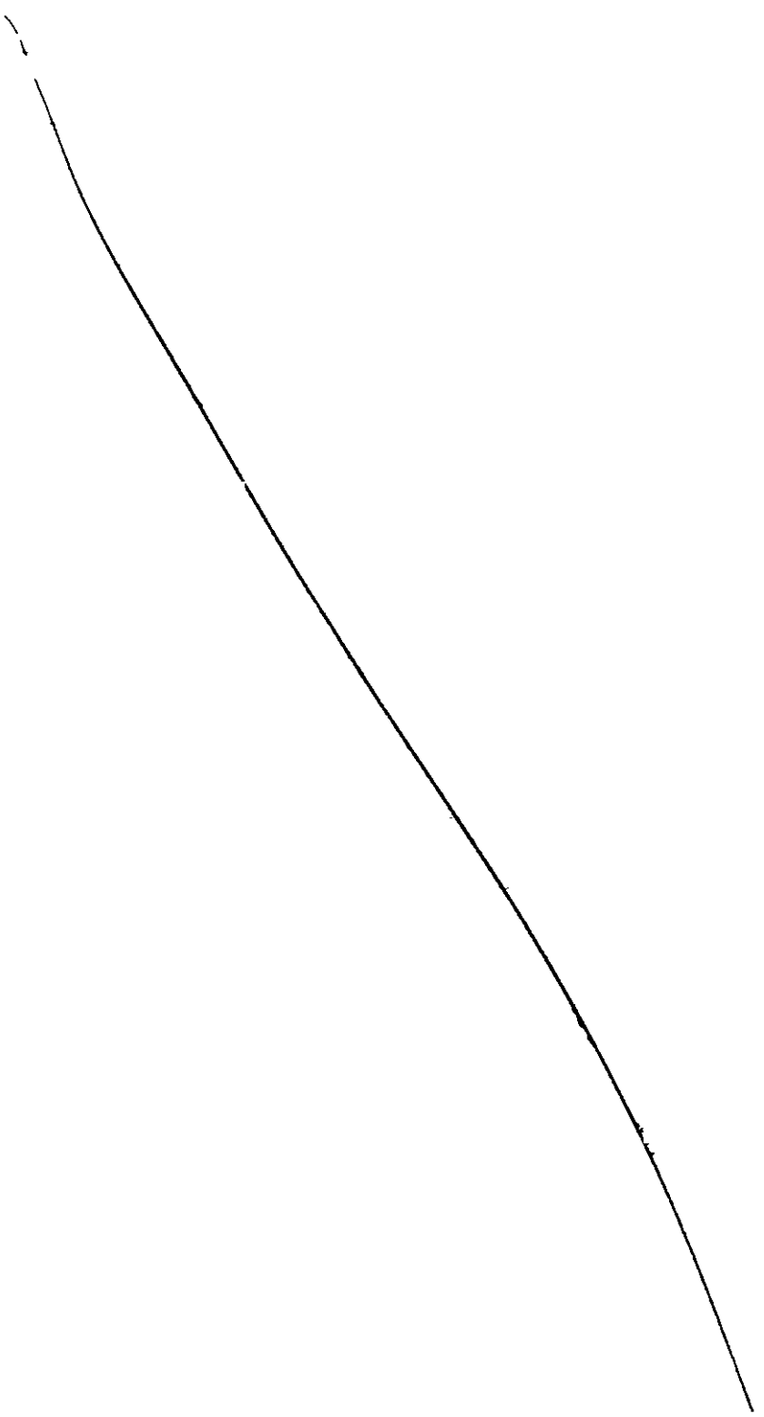

Submitted to His Highness.

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44) In paragraph 3 of my note of the 31st ultimo, it was stated that the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore and the Efficiency Audit Officer will be deputed to enquire into the irregularities brought to light in the Bangalore Central Jail.

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45) 2. Subsequently, it was suggested by the Extraordinary Member of Council that the enquiry may be conducted by the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore and Mr. P.S. Achyuta Rao, Retired Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner, assisted by the Efficiency Audit Officer, and orders have been passed accordingly.

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46) 3. I now submit the file for His Highness's information.

M. Visvesvaraya
15th Sept 1915

MR

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Papers relating to the deputation of certain officers to enquire int the irregularities brought to light in the Bangalore Central Jail.

47) *Order.*

~~KRM~~

17/9/15

48) Secretary R.D.

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6. From the D.S. of Prisons no 15 R2/166 dt 15th Sept 1915

Submits a detailed report on the irregularities brought to light in the Bangalore Central Jail

49) Subd for orders. The main file was called to the Dewan on 16.9.15.
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16/9/15

50) Submitted for perusal
Es
16/9

Secretary)

51)
2) These matters will, it is presumed, be placed before the Committee appointed to enquire into the irregularities
Sd
16/9/15
Extraordinary Member
Es 16/9

52) Yes. These papers may be placed before the Committee appointed
21.9.15.

Pm 20/9

Sd
22/9/15

53) Ⓐ Print draft-
Es 22/9

Ⓐ Draft put up Separately

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54) Draft reminder put up as per oral instructions

10/11/15

55) Issue

Sd 11/11

To Mr Chandy D.O. no 1346 dt 12.11.15.

Request that the report of the enquiry may be subd early.

From Mr Chandy no 371 dt 12 nov. 15

States that copies of depositions have been given to Messrs Manjappa and Dalk and that the report will be subd in a reasonal time after their replies are recd.

56) This has been kept by the Asst. Secy. The file will be kept in 'Sus'

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57) A letter may be written to the Jail Inquiry Committee to expedite submission on the report to Govt. of Rao & Mr. Chandy letter may be written to meet & thereupon a report in two days. The matter does not admit of delay pending a further [illegible] of observations about the condition of the Jail:

Dhanvantri

Pawanday will be printed to the Revenue Secretary.

Dhanvantri
26/11

B'ville
Please Report Secretariat
at once Govt 26/11/15

59) Draft submitted for approval.
B 26-11-15.
9/11

60) Draft approved by the Revenue Secretary.

To Messrs Chandy and Achyuta Rao Nos 2035, 2036 & 2037 dated 26-11-15.

Forwarded that the report [illegible]

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two or three days-

61) This file may perhaps be sent to Mr K. 9/1 Krishna Krishna Rao for information on.

27/11/15)

M. N. Madhavarao)

63) Seen. Marcella. 27/11

Mr from the D.C Bangalore no 1368 dy 30th Nov 15

States that he was in camp, that the explanation of Mr Tate was received on 24th inst and that as there is a mass evidence the report will be subd in a week or 10 days -

64) Noted for information. D.D.C letter stating that the report will be subd in a day or two is also put up the file -

1/12/15)

7a From Mr Achyuta Rao dy 2nd Dec 1915

Forwards the report of the enquiry held by him & Mr Chandra and returns the papers sent from this office.

65) Subd for orders. The MSS of the depositions are kept in a separate file.

4.12.15

Made into a separate collection bearing the same file number

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66) The statements recorded by the Commissioners deal among others with the following points:.

1. Supply of food,
2. Supply of clothing,
3. Discontinuance of feast money
4. Stoppages of rice diets
5. Assault on the Superintendent

The statements have been analysed by them and dealt with at some detail.

67) 1. Supply of food.

The chief complaint regarding the supply of food is that bullet supplied was worm eaten, and contained black grains and tasted bitter when cooked. Mr Ranjappa says that no complaint was made to him in regard to the bad bullet during the whole period he was in charge of the jail. Mr Achyutha Rao is of opinion in the the fact about the use of bad bullet was not repeated & brought to the notice of Mr Ranjappa, but Mr Chandy seems to be of a different mind.

~~68)~~ This is a general charge made by almost all the convicts. In the

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nature of things the charge is one that is easily made but one that is difficult to substantiate against any particular officer. From the fact that a large number of convicts examined by the Commissioners speak about the bad bullet supplied to them, and that the subordinate officers have in a way partly admitted it, it may be assumed that occasionally the bullet supplied was bad in quality. But the charge that it has been generally so, is one that cannot be held to be proved. ~~Further~~ The fact that there was no increase in the number of cases of bowel complaints, and that the convicts did not lose in weight, tends to disprove such a charge. If the ~~charge~~ supply was ~~such a so~~ generally so bad as is now represented, it would surely have reached the ears of the Dy. when he was going for inspection.

69) Granting then that the bullet supplied was occasionally bad in quality, there is no satisfactory evidence to show that Mr. Nanjappa was made aware of the same. The statements on this point are full of discrepancies. Some say that when they complained to the Supdt, the Chief Jailor retorted by saying that he got it cooked and found it to taste all right. The Jailor, and the Dy Jailor say that they

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informed the Superintendent about it but that he paid no heed to their complaints. The value of these statements which can not be verified cannot amount to nothing if we consider the significance of any such report in the Journal which the Jailor is required to maintain under S 65 of the Jail Manual. If the provisions regarding inspection and entry in the diary and Journal mentioned in the Jail Manual had been complied with strictly, probably these complaints would not have arisen. (vide S 6, 24, 529, 532 etc)

7th) There is a specific charge against Muthanjappa that the bullock passed by him on the day previous to the assault was really unfit for human consumption. Mr Nanjappa admits that the bullock examined by the Dy and condemned by him was really unfit for human consumption, but his plea is that the bullock condemned by the Dy was not the one passed by him, and he suggests that it was possible for the bullock being changed in the interval by the contractor with the connivance of the Jail officials. The suggestion is not without basis. The Keepers of the Ration Room are generally with the Jailor and the contractor, and it was not impossible for them to have substituted the bullock if they were so minded

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From the statement of Mr. Swappa D^r Jail it is clear that good and bad bullu are stocked in the godown by the contractor, and that (the complaints are true) bad bullu supplied has been replaced by good bullu though no entry to that effect is noted in the Diary. The mere certificate of the office does not seem to have counted for much in such cases (Subsidiary) It is therefore quite possible that the bullu sent by the Supt. may have been replaced by the bullu subsequently condemned by the Dy. Supt. There is no trustworthy evidence to show that it was done. If the Supt had kept aside samples for comparison as required by § 5 of the Jail Manual, and the sample differed from the one condemned by the Dy, then the charge might be held to have been met.

clothing.

68) The next complaint is that the Superintendent restricted the supply of clothing to convicts and thus made them wear rags though clothing was long overdue to them. Mr Ranjappa's explanation is that when he took charge in Oct 1914, R 1214 had been spent leaving only R 685 for the remaining 8 months, that in spite of

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economy, he had to ask for a further grant of Rs 500/- and that even this was exceeded by Rs 80 at the end of the year. He further says that he has been asked by the Govt to keep down the expenditure as far as possible.

Both the Commissioners find that the explanation is satisfactory. The explanation is borne out by the evidence on record. Under S 539 of the Jail Manual, the greatest economy is to be observed in clothing, and under S 560, a time limit has been fixed for the use of each kind of clothing. The statements on record do not specify with particulars any case in which the limit had been exceeded. If the clothing was really very bad and torn out it was the duty of the Jailor to have noted it and reported the fact in writing as required by S 563. In the absence of such written reports or specific instances mentioned above, the explanation of the Nanjappa Seems Satisfactory.

69) Discontinuance of feast Money.

The complaint is that the convicts who had earned money by work were refused small sums for special dishes during feast days. Mr Nanjappa's explanation

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is that as the rules did not permit this payment he had to refuse it.

The Commissioner agrees with Mr Nanjappa that there is nothing in the Jail to countenance this practice, but states that Mr Nanjappa could well have followed the long standing Manual. With due respect it seems to us that the ticket of leave rules should guide the object for which the payments are made. (Vide Rules 12 & Part-II Rule 4). The special indulgences that the life term convicts are entitled to are set forth in great detail in these rules, and it seems to us that the Superintendent has no discretion to widen the scope of such indulgences even though consecrated with the stamp of long standing Manual. The Jail Code Rules are framed to ensure certain discipline on the convicts' part and certain conduct at the same time recognising the principle of reforms but such in the absence of any express provision permitting him to enlarge the scope or vary or modify any provision in the Manual it seems clear that he has no such power; and the action of Mr Nanjappa seems therefore perfectly justifiable.

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70) Stoppages of Special diets.

It is said that these special diets which were being enjoyed by a large number of convicts was stopped by Mr. Nanjappa on the ground that there was no necessity for them. Mr. Nanjappa's explanation is that he found about a hundred men on special diet and that he stopped it as there was no necessity for the same. And the Commission are of opinion that though Mr. Nanjappa was perfectly right, while he was wanting in tact in stopping the diets gate above.

Under Rule 529, the diet may be changed only on the recommendation of the Medical officer. It is clear that except on medical grounds the diets ordinarily fixed under the Rules should not be changed. The action of Mr. Nanjappa cannot be questioned as it was in accordance with the provisions of the Manual. The fact that no one went to the Hospital to claim special diet on medical grounds seems to support the view that there was no justification for such a large number being specially treated. The wholesale stoppage was perhaps better than partial or gradual reduction which might have been combined by the Convicts as the superintendent's partiality or favour.

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Assault on the Superintendent.

71) The large mass of evidence admitted in the enquiry refer to this point mainly. Mr Nanjappa suspects that the assault was committed at the instigation of Khan. Mr Achyutha Rao has dealt with the evidence on this point very exhaustively and is of opinion that Mr Dale the Chief Jailor and Baba Rao were privy to the assault on Mr Nanjappa, and that it was not the ~~occasional~~ supply of bad butter, or the restriction in the supply of clothing or rice diet or the refusal to pay feast money that induced Chinnia to assault the Supt. The Chandy is however more guarded in his statement and says that the grave charge that he inspired the assault is not ~~proved or~~ sufficiently substantiated", and that he is unable to find from the evidence that either Mr Dale or Baba Rao were active instigators to the assault. But he declares of opinion that such a suspicion ~~is~~ does arise from the mass of recorded statements it appears clear that the assault was not sudden and unpremeditated, and that the intended assault was generally ~~vaguely~~ known to all the officers including Mr Nanjappa. Under the circumstances, if proper precautions

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had been taken, it would never have occurred. I am then with one voice almost all the convicts state that the plot was conceived, developed and put into action by persons who were admitted in families of the chief Jailor. That the chief Jailor had reason to complain against the Dy Sp is also clear. It is not therefore wrong to presume that the chief Jailor was ~~not~~ privy to the assault. Though each fact by itself may not have the effect that is claimed for it, it seems to me that the cumulative effect of all the points brought out in the enquiry leaves no doubt that the chief Jailor was an active instigator, he was at least thoroughly aware of the plot. Babu Rao must have had a great share in the incident cannot be doubted.

72) As regards the chief Jailor Mr Dale, both the Commissioners are strongly of opinion that he is an utterly undesirable person and unfit to hold the place. His dealings with the contractors are highly reprehensible. It is a point for consideration whether he should be taken to task and an report against him.

73) ~~In this connection~~, the suggestions of the Commissioners in regard to the action necessary to maintain discipline in Jail

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have to be separately dealt with in consultation with the Dy Inspr Genl of Prisons.

74) Submitted for orders

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75) The report of the Dy Commr & Dt Magte is appended to that of Dr Achyuta Rao

Extraordinary Member

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76) The report received and other connected papers may be forwarded to the Inspector-General of Prisons for his remarks if any. He may be asked also to state his opinion as regards the punishment of certain prison officials and prisoners suggested in the concluding portion of Mr.Achyuta Rao's report.

77) The papers may be re-submitted, if possible, with the Inspector-General's reply before the 30th instant.

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U.O. 2. / 53-07 Dated 18 January 1916.

79 On the 17th of August 1915 viz., on the day that prisoner No. 9023 Chinniah assaulted the Superintendent Mr. T. S. Nanjappa, I calle at the Central Jail and after hearing what Chinniah had to say about the assault and of the bitter bullar dall that was being supplied I went up to the ration store room when the Superintendent Mr. Nanjappa joined me. I had the ration store room opened in his presence, and I examined the bullar dall stored therein and found it unfit for use and condemned it, and ordered the contractor to be fined Rs. 50/ The next morning, I asked Mr. Nanjappa if he had passed the bullar dall that I had condemned the previous evening, and Mr. Nanjappa said he had pased it. If he had suspected that bullar dall which he had passed had been tampered with, he would have naturally told me about it. It is not possible for an Indian Officer, particularly a purely vegetarian Hindu who himself often uses bullar dall for his cur to make a mistake in judging the quality of bullar dall.

80 2. In his explanation, Mr. Nanjappa total denies having passed the dall. In the Bangalor Central Jail, rations are not allowed to enter the Jail gate and be stocked in the store room before they are passed by the Superintend The rations are cleaned by convicts in the store room and exhibited again to be examined

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and passed by the Superintendent every Monday before they are stocked in the ration room.

3. Superintendent Mr. Nanjappa must have passed the bullar dall that I found in the ration room and condemned in his presence.

4. I hold him responsible for the rotten bullar dall that was found in the ration room and I also hold him responsible for having totally denied in his explanation what he admitted in person about the passing of bullar dall.

5. Bullar dall is supplied to prisoners on alternate days, on other days they get tuvar dall, and many of the prisoners must have thrown away, as deposed by several convicts, their curry prepared with bad bullar dall and eaten their ragi pudding with water and thus helped themselves to satisfy their hunger and maintain weight and strength. It is providential that such of those that ate a portion of the curry prepared with bad bullar dall did not develope bowel complaints.

6. I have reported in my letter No.1582/100-07 dated 15th September 1915 that, on 18-8-1915, I had to take out of the file 15 prisoners who should have been in the Jail Hospital under treatment some days before the day of inspection by me.

7. Although the condition of the clothing

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of the clothing of prisoners is to be brought to the notice of the Superintendent by the Jail under the provision of rule 63 of the Mysore Jail Manual, the Superintendent himself should have noticed the ragged &&& condition of the clothing of prisoners, the helpless situation of sick prisoners during his inspection and punished the delinquent Jail officials concerned. I hold the Superintendent personally responsible for not having attended to the requirements of prisoners.

86) 8. The Superintendent was asked to exercise economy in the clothing of prisoners but not to withhold or deny to them their legitimate dues. If the unspent portion of the allotment for clothing was insufficient for the year, the Superintendent should have pointed out the necessity for further allotment and suggested re-appropriation or further special allotment. The explanation of the Superintendent which has been admitted to be satisfactory by the Committee is most unsatisfactory in my opinion. His object in keeping down the expenditure causing so much inconvenience and hardship to helpless convicts entrusted to his care was, according to his admission, to secure confirmation in the Offg. appointment he held.

87) 9. The Sick prisoners with apparent surgical complaints that were taken out of the file by me and sent to the Jail Hospital appeared to have been denied treatment and made to work

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to the income of the Jail. This inccease in income, I dare say, was calculated by Mr. Nanjappa to count in his favour to secure his confirmation as Superintendent of the Central Jail, Bangalore.

10. The circumstances relating to the supply of bad bullar dall to prisoners detailed above, Mr. Nanjappa's admission of having passed the bullar dall condemned by me in his presence and his total denial of having passed the bullar dall in his explanation, coupled with the first information of the conspiracy among the prisoners to assault him (Mr.Nanjappa) furnished to him by the contractor, who was supplying bullar dall among other articles of diet are very suggestive of special relationship between the contractor and Mr. Nanjappa. Mr. Nanjappa's character, in so far as it relates to admission of having passed the bullar dall and his subsequent denial thereof, merits severe punishment.

11. Mr. Tate ought to be removed from service for having had monitary dealings with contractors in the Jail, and neither implication nor instigation of the assault has been established against him.

12. Mr. Surappa was aware of the conspiracy generally against the Superintendent, and he carried the information he had to the Superintendent but did not take any precautions to avert the assault on the Superintendent, after having

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having been warned, the Superintendent himself ought to have ordered all possible measures to avert the assault, is probably the justification in favour of Mr. Surappa. He is a very weak timid man, and as such unfit to be a Depu Jailor and he ought to be retired.

91) 13. Baboo Rao is being prosecuted for abetment of assault on the Superintendent and he will be dealt with after judgment in his case is pronounced.

92) 14. The Convict officers both among lifers and termers who are recommended to be reduced wil be reduced.

93) 15. The subjoined is a statement of prisoners whom I found in rags on the 18th of August 1915 and to whom clothing according to rules in force in Jail was over-due and it sh also the period, clothing was over-due.

No.	Jail No.	Name.	Term & date of sentence.	Date of last issue of clothing	Date on which fresh clothing became due	Period over-due Ms.	Ds.
1.	7359	Javara	Lifer 22-3-04	9- 7-14	9- 5-15.	3	9
2.	1542	K. Thimma.	do 1-4-08	9- 7-14	9-5- 15.	3	9
3.	7808	Junja.	do 11-8-13	9-7- 14	9- 5- 15	3	9
4.	7574	Muniappa.	do 7-6-13	9- 5-14	9- 3-15.	5	
5.	9186	Ganga.	7 Yrs. 24-9-14	30- 9-14	30- 7-15.	..	18
6.	8828	Thimma.	4 do 21-4-14	20- 7-14	20- 5-15.	2	28
7.	7879	Fakira.	6½ do 28-9-11	9- 7-14	9- 5-15.	3	9
8.	9220	Ranga.	Lifer. 28-2-06	9- 7-14	9- 5-15.	3	9
9.	4051	Hala.	do 13-4-10	9- 7-14	do	3	9
10.	3561	Hala.	do 12-11-09	do	do	do	
11.	7486	Dodda Narasa	4 Yrs. 18-10-11	do	do	do	
12.	4001	Andi.	Lifer. 31- 1-10	do	do	do	
13.	4016	Rama.	do 6- 4-10	do	do	do	
14.	8827	Rangaraju.	7 Yrs. 4- 3-14	22- 8-14	22- 6-15	1	27
15.	6745	Samanna.	Lifer. 17- 9-12	9- 7-14	9- 5-15.	3	9
16.	4049	Kalyani.	do 13- 4-10	do	do	do	
17.	8053	Hankya.	6½ yrs 22- 9-13	19- 9-14	19- 7-15.	1.	..

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No.	Jail No.	Name.	Serial No.	Term and date of sentence.	Date of last issue of clothing	Date on which fresh clothing became due	Period over-due. Ms.	Ds.
18.	642.	Kapanniah.		Lifer. 17-12-06	9- 7-14	9- 5-15.	3.	9.
19.	5758.	Ramaraju		do 20- 3-03	4- 1-14	4- 2-15.	6.	14.
20.	2762.	Thimma.		do 23- 8-08	9- 7-14.	9- 5-15.	3.	9.
21.	9050.	Singri.		do 7-11-05	do	do	do	
22.	6204.	Mudda.		do 28- 3-12	11- 1-14	11-11-14.	9.	7.
23.	7292.	Shankra.		do 1- 8-04	16- 1-14	16-11-14	9.	2.
24.	5428.	Yankya.		5 Yrs. 3- 7-11	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
25.	7892.	Kadariga.		10 do 13- 9-13	do	do	do	
26.	5427	Ugriga.		5 Yrs. 3- 7-11	do	do	do	
27.	5429.	Ganga.		do do	do	do	do	
28.	5467	Gulliga.		9½ yrs 20- 3-11	28- 3-14	28- 1-15.	6	21
29.	4050	Maruliah.		Lifer. 13- 4-10	9- 7-14.	9- 5-15.	3	9
30.	4769	Mallegowda.		do 8-11-10	do	do	do	
31.	4103	Kempa.		do 13- 1-10	do	do	do	
32.	5448	Budan Sab.		do 10- 7-11	do	do	do	
33.	645	Puttegowda.		do 16- 2-07	do	do	do	
34.	4960	Narasa.		do 13- 1-11	22-11-13	22- 9-14	10	27
35.	2171	Mahd.Ummar.		do 13- 4-08	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
36.	4798	Madar Sab		do 22-11-10	do	do	do	
37.	8029	Latchagadu.		4½ Yrs 21- 4-14	20- 7-14	20- 5-15.	8	29
38.	6075	Basappa.		4 Yrs. 30- 1-12	11- 1-14.	11-11-14.	9	7
39.	9585.	Siddalinga chary		Lifer 3-11-06	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
40.	4623	Gurusiddappa		do 30- 9-10	do	do	do	
41.	4864	Latchma.		6 Yrs. 10-12-10	6-12-13	6-10-14	10	12
42.	6642	Munisamy		5 do 9- 8-12	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
43.	9781	Rama		Lifer 13- 8-06	do	do	do	
44.	1440	Sivegowda		do 17- 2-08	do	do	do	
45.	7854	Parsiga.		3½ Yrs 15- 8-13	do	do	do	
46.	6632.	Grusidappa.		Lifer 12- 7-12	do	do	do	
47.	2242.	Gundachary		do 3- 3-09	do	do	do	
48.	7481	Venkata		10 yrs. 21-12-11	11-1 -14	11-11-14	9	7
49.	6438.	Venkata.		Lifer. 7- 6-12	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
50.	6053.	Rama		do 12-2- 12	do	do	do	
51.	7560.	Malliga.		7 yrs. 2- 6-13	25- 4-14	25- 2-15	5	24
52.	5836.	Mahd Hussain		10 do 4- 2-10	11- 1-14	11-11-14	9	7
53.	4498.	Thippa.		Lifer. 5- 2-02	11- 1-14	do	do	
54.	5554.	Subbavadani		5 yrs. 13- 4-11	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
55.	3395	Ramasamy		Lifer. 1-10-09	do	do	do	
56.	7312	Iyakanachari		3 yrs. 21- 3-13	11- 1-14	11-11-14	9	7
57.	5547	Samavadani		5 do 13- 4-11	9- 7- 14	9- 5-15	3Ms	9
58.	1974	Budappa.		15 do 3- 8-08	do	do	do	
59.	8017	Madanamutu		5 do 23-10-13	do	do	do	
60.	4014	Munivenkata		Lifer 6- 4-10	do	do	do	
61.	5149	Subramani		do 25- 8-02	do	do	do	
62.	5646	Veerappa.		do 3- 7-03	do	do	do	
63.	5759	Muniya.		do 20- 3-03	12- 8-14	12- 6-15	2	6
64.	6046	Doddamara		do 10- 6-03	9- 7-14	9- 5-15	3	9
65.	6273	Subbarao		do 19- 8-03	do	do	do	
66.	6414	Ganga		do 23- 9-03	do	do	do	
67.	6616	Linga.		do 30-11-03	do	do	do	
68.	6617	Ranga.		do do	do	do	do	
69.	6618	Andani.		do do	do	do	do	
70.	6949	Thathegowda		do 14- 3-04	do	do	do	

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72.	7028	Abdulrahimon		do do	do	do	do
73.	7259	Siddalinga.		do 13- 1-04	do	do	do
74.	7307	Lingayya		do 3- 8-04	do	do	do
75.	7327	Chenna		do 5- 8-04	do	do	do
76.	7328	Adavi.		do do	do	do	do
77.	7685	Ranga.		do 5-12-04	do	do	do
78.	7857	Rachoti.		do 3-10-04	do	do	do
79.	7859	Puttegowda		do 4-10-04	do	do	do
80.	7858	Parvathaya		do 3-10-04	do	do	do

D. S. Chikkanna
Deputy Superintendent

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Extraordinary Member)

95) The report of the Inspector-General of Prisons and the record of the enquiry held by Messrs Achyuta Rao and Chandy go to show that in passing the provisions supplied to the Jail and in examining the condition of prisoners, Mr. Nanjappa was somewhat careless and that he was also indifferent to the complaints made to him by the prisoners and did not promptly enquire into them and ascertain how far they were well-founded. The sudden change in the diet of the prisoners made after he assumed charge as Superintendent and the stoppage of certain concessions previously allowed to convict warders seem to be other causes which tended to excite the feeling of the prisoners against him. He had previous information of the intended assaul but he took no steps to enquire into its truth or to protect himself against it.

96) It is however evident that Mr. Nanjappa - worked in good faith with a view to enforce better discipline and to correct the irregularities which had crept in, and that he attempted also to - -

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exercise economy by prudent management and by conforming strictly to rules and orders. But he evidently lacke tact in effecting the improvements, and might hav proceeded more cautiously and ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ made the necessary changes gradually, so as not to have created much opposition against him. As he has now been transferred from the Jail, no further action seems necessary in regard to him, beyond telling him that he should have exercised greater care in inspecting the provisions supplied and acted with more tact in the management of the Jail.

97) Both Mr. Achyuta Rao and Mr. Chandy have found Mr. Tate unfit to be Chief Jailor. He is to a large extent responsible for want of discipline in the Jail. He entered into money dealings with the contractors and placed himself under their obligation and was thus unable to exercise sufficient check over them. His conduct seems highly questionable. Mr. Achyuta Rao recommends that he may be dismissed and the Inspector-General also is of the same opinion. I agree with them.

98) Mr. Surappa may be retired as recommended by both the Inspector-General of Prisons and Mr. Achyuta Rao.

99) The Inspector-General says that the convict warders who are recommended to be reduced will be reduced.

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(5) 100 The case of Baboo Rao may be brought up for consideration after the termination of the prosecution instituted against him.

101 Mr. Achyuta Rao recommends that Assistant Chief Warder Venkataramana be dismissed as he withheld from the commissioners valuable information regarding the conspiracy which was within his knowledge. The Inspector-General may be asked to take suitable notice of his conduct. He may be retired if he is superannuated.

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(7) 102 The suggestions made by the Commissioners for enforcing better discipline in the Jail may be worked up separately along with the proposals made by the Inspector-General of Prisons in regard to the same matter. (Vide File No.35 of 1915)

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103 I agree generally with the recommendations of the Extraordinary Member. The case may be brought up at the next meeting of Council.

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Hon'ble Ext. Members

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104) I have read the record all through and I think that the Conclusions are in the main right & the proposals for punishment Correct.

105) Mr. Nanjappa has of Course been more Sinned against than Sinning. But I think that he cannot be absolved from the fault of having passed bad rations or having been careless in the matter. His having altered his statement in this respect — I cannot but attach more weight to the D.G.'s version than to his — is somewhat a more serious matter. He deserves to be censure at the least for it.

106) Some punishment (though not of a serious

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Kind is proposed to be awarded to the Dy Jailor Surappa. I do not find anything in the case against him. He had been acting Dy Jailor only about 6 weeks. If (as I believe he is) too weak a man to be continued as Dy Jailor why should he not be reverted to a clerical or other less responsible post till he is superannuated according to his service register

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107) No adverse remark could be raised against the Supdt - if not he was tactless in introducing certain reforms into the administration of the Jail. His zeal for economy & to enforce strict discipline a determination at the cost of popularity have caused him all

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their trouble. A great deal has been made of the so-called grievances of the convicts. The enquiry held by the Special Committee has been fully exhaustive & does by no means show that the convicts have been so badly treated as has been alleged or imagined. Insufficient leniency in treatment is found to have led to all disciplines as was evident from the conduct of the convicts subsequent to the incident. The punishment has had to be inflicted by the Supdt of Prisons only after the special help to prevent serious disturbances that had to be

immediately

The Supdt of Prisons says much stress should be laid on the change of attitude of the Supdt - with reference to the 'bellas'. I cannot attach any importance to this. If it is intended to be any reflection of his, it would be unfair to the witness to ask the Supdt. & to what he has to say in his written before condemned unheard. The true interest of discipline which it is admitted is very slack, if it at all exist at present, in the Bangalore Central Jail, the punishments recommended by the Spl. Committee & the Supdt of Prisons, in the case of these officials concerned, are by no means too severe

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7. SUBJECT.-(Outside the Schedule.)

Report of the enquiry into certain irregularities in the Bangalore Central Jail.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

108) The Jailor may be dismissed. Surappa may be reverted to his previous clerical appointment.

109) Mr. T.S. Nanjappa may be informed that he should have exercised greater care in inspecting the provisions supplied and acted with more tact in the management of the Jail.

Sd. M.Visvesvaraya,
Dewan of Mysore.

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Secretary to Government,
General Department.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Extract from the proceedings of the Council is put up.

(10) Forwarded with compliments to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, for favour of necessary further action.

By order,

D. M. Narayana Rao S/S
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

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(11) Draft & Final Note may be put up
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(12) Draft put up.
EB 9.3.16) D. & N. put up.
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(13) EB 10.3.16) After approval, as proposed, will be submitted to the Extraordinary Member. EB 10/3

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Extraordinary Member

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(14) Typed final note initialled by the Extraordinary Member is put up.
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Final Note.

Report of the enquiry into certain irregularities in the Bangalore Central Jail.

118) When Mr. T. S. Nanjappa was in charge of the Bangalore Central Jail in August last, an assault was committed on him by a convict of the Jail and the report of the Inspector General of Prisons in connection with it disclosed several irregularities in the Jail which were ordered to be inquired into by a Committee consisiting of Messrs: P. S. Achyuta Rao, Retired Senior Surgeon and K. Chandy, Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, assisted by the Efficiency Audit Officer.

119. The Committee submitted their report on the 2nd December 1915 and their investigation has been conducted with special reference to the following matters

1. Supply of buller dal.
2. Supply of clothing to prisoners.
3. Prohibition of rice diets and extras.
4. Discontinuance of feast money and
5. Assault on the Superintendent.

The views of the members of the Committee are discussed in detail in paragraphs 63 to 72 of the office notes.

120) 3. The Inspector General of Prisons was unofficially consulted in the matter and

his views are contained in paras 79-93 of t
notes.

121) 4. The report of the Inspector Gener
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122) 5. It is however evident from the
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in the jail. He entered into money dealings with the contractors and placed himself unde their obligation and was thus unable to exercise sufficient check over them. Mr. Achyuta Rao recommends that he may be dismissed and the Inspector General is also of the same opinion.

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6. The report and recommendations of the Committee and the views of the Inspector General were considered in Council and it wa resolved that Mr. Tate be dismissed the service and Mr. Surappa, the Deputy Jailor, be reverted to his former clerical appointmer and that Mr. Nanjappa be informed that he should have exercised greater care in inspec ing the provisions supplied and acted with more tact in the management of the jail.

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Submitted to His Highness.

124) I submit herewith the 'Final Note' of the Extraordinary Member of Council regarding certain irregularities in the Bangalore Central Jail.

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125) 2. The action recommended by the Council and embodied in para 6 of the 'Final Note' by the Extraordinary Member may be graciously approved.

M. Visvesvaraya

17th Jan. 1916.

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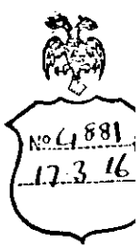
of His Highness the Maharaja



Subject.

Irregularities in the Bangalore Central Jail.

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127 Draft Go. is submitted for favour of kind approval.

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Draft slightly modified and approved by the Extraordinary member.

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128) Immediate
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The I.G. of Prisons and the Comptroller.
No. J 3821-2 Dy 25th March 1916.
Sanctions the dismissal of Mr E.W.L. Tate and the reversion of Mr M. Surappa and states that Mr T.S. Nanjappa should have exercised greater care and tact in inspecting the provisions and in managing the jail.

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Office of the Inspr.-Gen. of Prisons in Mysore,

Dated Bangalore, 18th August *1915.*

FROM

Rao Bahadur T. V. Arumugam Mudliar, Esqr, M. B., C. M.,

Inspector-General of Prisons

in Mysore, Bangalore.

Prisons 19-1
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To

V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esqr. M. A.,

Secretary to the Government Of H. H. the

Maharaja of Mysore, Rev. Dept

SIR.

I have the honor to report that, on the 17th instant, in the afternoon, at my office, Mr. T. S. Nanjappa, Officer in charg of the Bangalore Cehtral Jail, who is also my Personal Assistant reported to me that he was assaulted by a convict during his inspection of the prisoners on that morning. I called at the Jail in the evening and asked the Chief Jailor who the convict was that assaulted the Superintendent. I was shown the prisoner who was then in a cell. On enquiry, the prisoner made the following statment, i[redacted] -

Statement of prisoner No. 9023 Chinniah.

I as well as other convicts complained on several occasions to the Superintendent of the bad quality of rations issued t us i.e. buller dhal and tuvar dhal, On one occasion, when I complained to the Superintendent, I was punished with bread and water. One day I was expressing my grievances to Head Warder Baboo Rao about the rations, and Baboo Rao told me that there was no one in this Jail who could pay off the Superintendent for his indifference to complaints and irregularities. Baboo Rao the said what is the good of your complaining to me, you are all a set of effiminate men. Then I asked him what he would advise me to do to the Superintendent, when Baboo Rao said that he

would

FROM

THE INSPR.-GEN. OF PRISONS

IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

To

The Secrete Govt

Revenue Deptt

Bangalore

Dated 18th August 1915

Despatched do

Received

General No. 1422.

No. 100-07

Enclosure No.

Reports the assault that took place at the Bangalore Central Jail on 17.8.15 by a convict against the Superintendent.

Rec'd letter 7½ & P M on the night of the 18th August

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would bring me a shoe and a knife to assault the Superintendent, he kept his promise and brought the shoe and the knife and gave them to me in the latrine on Monday morning, the 16th at 7 O' Clock. At about 9 O'Clock the very morning, Baboo Rao came back to me and informed me there was no inspection (every Monday a general inspection of the convicts is held) and got me to dig a pit in the latrine to hide the shoe and knife in, he helped me to cover the sand over them. Shortly after the shoe and the knife were covered over with sand, he (Baboo Rao) thought better of it and took away the knife saying that if a murder were committed it would mean a serious crime, but he did not remove the shoe.

The next day Tuesday the 17th, Baboo Rao came to me and informed me that there was going to be inspection and also told me to take the shoe which was hidden in the latrine, and insert it between my body and my cheddy, and asked me to put my coat over it. And he tied my cumbly round me so that the shoe could not be seen. While Baboo Rao was tying the cumbly around me all the other prisoners who were standing in the same yard saw him do so. Accidently the shoe dropped out while Baboo Rao was tying the cumbly around me, this also the other convicts saw. Directly the shoe dropped out, the Head Warder Baboo Rao got in front of me and between me and the Superintendent to prevent the shoe from being seen and told me to pick up the shoe and assault the Superintendent.

Before the assault took place, Baboo Rao brought to me a black ball of something bigger than a marble and made me eat it, after eating it I almost got out of my senses, and felt that I should assault every one.

I hit the Superintendent three times on his head and face with the shoe, and also spat on his face.

When I assaulted the Superintendent, Baboo Rao was next to me but did not prevent me from assaulting him. I was then overpower

and secured and beaten and then was locked up in cells."

2. After the enquiry by me, some of the convicts complained that the curry prepared for them was bitter and dhal supplied was bad. I entered the store room where the contractor keeps the rations, and examined the dhal and bulgur he had in stock and found them worm-eaten and unfit for use as food for human beings. I condemned the whole lot and ordered a fine of Rs. 50/- to the contractor for keeping such stuff. The Superintendent must have examined the rations stored by the contractor as usual on Mondays, and his last inspection was on the 16th instant. I examined them on the 17th instant (evening). On the morning of the 18th instant, I called at the Jail and asked the Superintendent if he had examined the dhal stored in the store room for the use of convicts, on the 16th instant, the previous Monday (the usual day for inspection of rations by the Superintendent) before they are admitted to the store room. The Superintendent admitted that he had examined the rations and the stock of dhal that I condemned. It is not therefore the contractor that is to be blamed but the Superintendent for having received such rations. I have therefore ordered the cancellation of the fine.

3. I have instructed the Superintendent to place the convict for trial before the City Magistrate, Bangalore, and to intimate the result of the trial at an early date. After the case is complete I shall have the convict transferred to the District Jail at Mysore.

4. Under the circumstances described above, Mr. T. S. Nanjapp will not be able to maintain his dignity and enforce discipline in the Jail. I therefore recommend his removal from the charge of the Jail and his appointment as the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Bangalore, the present District Medical Officer viz, Mr.

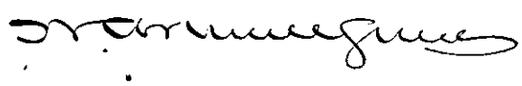
V. Muthusamy Doss

Mr. V. Muthusamy Doss posted to act as Superintendent of the Central Jail, Bangalore, temporarily.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



Inspector-General of Prisons.

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Section *Prisons*

File No: *19-15*

Serial No. *2*

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. *J 879.*

Date of issue *21 / 8 / 1915.*

Signed by *Mr. Q. Sreenivasa Iyer*

To *The I. G. of Prisons, Bangalore*

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. 1422-100-07 dated the 18th August 1915 ~~forwarding~~ the posting of Mr. T. S. Nanjappa as Dist. Sanitary Officer, Bangalore, and the appointment of Mr. V. Muthusami Boss as to act as Supdt. Central Jail, Bangalore, I am directed

briefing to notice the assault committed by Chinniah, convict no. 9023 of the Central Jail, Bangalore, on Mr. T. S. Nanjappa, the Supdt. of the Jail at present

to observe that it is alleged that
cautiously
Mr. Nanjappa passed ~~about~~
to the stores a bull & bullock
and unfit for human consumption
which were worm eaten & that
he was indifferent to the
complaints of the ~~convicts~~
prisoners regarding the supply
of bad food ~~stuffing~~. I am
to request you to be so good
as to hold a departmental
enquiry as to what truth
there is in the alleged irregularities,
~~Mr. Nanjappa encroachments~~
~~food and opportunity of explain-~~
~~-ing himself.~~ Giving Mr.
Nanjappa ~~to explain~~ an
opportunity to explain
himself and to submit a
report for the information
of Govt. The result of the
criminal proceedings instituted
against the convict may also be
intimated.

List of enclosures.

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for Secy to Govt
Rev. Dept.

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OFFICE OF THE INSPTR.-GENL. OF PRISONS IN MYSOI

No. 1431
100-07

DATED BANGALORE, 21st August 1915.

DIARY No. J-56

M.B., C.M.
SECTION Pris
FILE No. 19-15
SERIAL No. 3

FROM

Rao Bahadur T.V.Arumugum Mudaliar, Esquire, M.B., C.M.,

Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore,

Bangalore.

To V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,

Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,

[redacted] Revenue Departments.

SIR.

In connection with the assault committed by convict No. 9023 Chinniah on the Superintendent of the Central Jail, Bangalore, on the 17th instant reported in my letter No. 1422/100-07 dated the 18th instant, I have the honor to recommend that, in the interests o[redacted] public service, the Chief Jailor, Mr. E.W.L. Tate of that Jail may be transferred to the Jail at Mysore and the Jailor of the Mysor Jail posted to the Central Jail as Chief Jailor.

2. The circumstances connected with the assault on the Superintendent are suggestive of complicated organisation and call for a careful and exhaustive enquiry. I request that an officer of judicia experience may be kindly deputed for a few weeks to hold an enquiry into the case.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

T.V.Arumugum

Inspector-General of Prisons.

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From

The Inspector-General
of Prisons in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

Dated 21st August 1915

Despatched —do—

Received

General No. 1431

No. 100—07

Enclosure No.

Subject

Recommends the transfer of Mr. C. W. R. Lott, Chief jailor of B. Regail, to Mysore jail, in the interest of Public Service

Two drafts

Passing orders re the assault and other irregularities in the Central Jail.

[F.R.S. 28]

For File No. 19-15

Serial No. 4.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
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READ—

Correspondence ending with letter no 1431/100-07 dt 21st Aug 1915 from the D.G. of Prisons in Mysore submitting a report regarding the assault made

Date of issue 10 · 9 · 1915

Signed by M. G. Srinivasa Ayyangar

ORDER THEREON.—No.

by a convict on Mr T. S. Nanjappa in charge of the Central Jail, Bangalore and requesting orders of Govt for the transfer of Mr T. S. Nanjappa and of the Jailor of the Central Jail as also for the

over.

SUBJECT.

for the deputation of an officer with judicial experience to ~~conduct~~ enquire into the matter.

Order thereon. J 1042-7

Govt are pleased to approve the D.G's proposal to transfer Mr E.W.L. Yate, Ag Chief Jailor, from the Central jail, Bangalore to the Mysore jail and Mr L. Narasimhia, Ag Jailor from the Mysore jail to the Bangalore, Central jail.

2. The Dy Commissioner, Bangalore Dt., and Mr P.S. Achyuta Rao, retired Senior Surgeon and Inspg Asst Prisons ~~assisted by the~~ Efficiency ~~Audit Officer~~ are requested to conduct the enquiry into the irregularities brought to light in the Central jail. They will be assisted by the E.A. officer.

3. A notification will be issued regarding the transfer of Mr Kanjappa.

6.9.15.

27/8/8
for Rev Secy

To The D.G. of Prisons
The Senior Surgeon
The D.C. Bangalore
The Efficiency Audit Officer
The Comptroller.
Mr P.S. Achyuta Rao. Rtd. Senior Surgeon + Insp Genl.

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SUBJECT Transfer of Dr. T. J. Nanjappa from the Central Jail and the appointment of Mr Muttusamy Doss to the charge thereof

Diary No. of letter replied to

Section Prisons
File No. 19-15
Serial No. 5.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. 9 1048.

Notification

Date of issue 10-9-1915

Signed by Mr. V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer

In Pending further orders Mr T. J. Nanjappa, M. B., C. M., Surgeon in charge of the Central Jail, Bangalore is posted as Dt Medical & Sanitary Officer, Bangalore vice Mr V. Muttusami Doss, L. M. S., who is appointed to be in charge of the Central Jail Bangalore.

P. O.

Es 27/8

For Rev Secy

To The Compiler Mysore Gazette

P. T over.

27/8/15

6.9.15.

Memo No. g 1049 Dy 10th September 1915.

Copy forwarded to the

DG of Posts with reference to

his letter no 1431/100-07 Dy 21.8.15

B.O.

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For Rly Secy

Memo. No. g 1050, Dy 10th Septr 1915

Copy to (1) the Senior Surgeon

(2) Branch IV.

No. 1582/Cen/File 100-07 Office of the Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore.

Dated, Bangalore, 15th September 1915.

DIARY No. J.816

From

Rao Bahadur T.V.Arumugum Mudaliar, Esquire, M.B., C.M.,
Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore, Bangalore.

DIARY No. 19-15
SERIAL No. 6.

To

V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of H H the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 1422/100-07 dated the 18th August 1915, I have the honor to report that, after hearing the statement of prisoner No. 9023 Chinniah of the Bangalore - Central Jail on the 17th August 1915, I went to the Ration room, got it opened in the presence of Mr. T.S.Nanjappa, the Superintendent, examined the Bullar dhal stored therein, found the same to be a mixture of good and bad, worm eaten and black grains and condemned it, as it was unfit for human consumption. I ordered it to be removed from the Jail at once and the Contractor to be fined Rs 50/-, in accordance with the terms of his contract. On the 18th August 1915 I called at the Central Jail and asked Mr. Nanjappa in the presence of the Chief Jailor if he had passed the dhal in the Ration room and the Superintendent said that he had passed it the previous inspection day, Viz, on the 16th August 1915.

2. In his explanation, copy enclosed herein, Mr. Nanjappa denies having passed the Buller dhal in the Ration room.

3. On the 25th August, I called again at the Jail and - joined Mr. Nanjappa in his inspection of the prisoners without - previous notice. I had to draw the attention of Mr. Nanjappa to a number of patients among prisoners who should have been sent to the Hospital for treatment long before the date of inspection -

and had them removed and their numbers and names recorded.

4. I had also to draw his attention to a very large number of prisoners in rags and asked him to order clothing them. The numbers and names of those prisoners were also recorded.

5. In this office No. 1454/100-07 dated the 26th August 1915, the Superintendent was asked to furnish this office with a list of sick prisoners picked out by me and a list of prisoner whom I found in rags and to whom clothing was to be issued. I sent a reminder for the lists in question on the 10th instant. Mr. Nanjappa handed over charge of his duties in the Jail to Mr. V.Muthusamy Doss on the 13th instant, in accordance with Government Order No. J. 1048/Pris. 19-15-5 dated the 10th September 1915. He did not send me the lists of sick prisoners and prisoners in rags. I had to obtain them from Mr. Muthusamy Doss on the 14th instant. These lists are herewith submitted for information.

6. I examined 4 prisoners selected by the Chief Jailor, 6 prisoners selected by Mr. Nanjappa, and 13 prisoners picked out at randum by me, including cooks, and a convict Maistry in the ration room. I examined also the Chief Jailor, the Deputy Jailor the Chief Warder and the Matron.

7. Their statements sent in original herewith show that the quality of buller-dhal has been bad from the beginning of the year and that the representations of prisoners have been attended with punishments in some cases, with threats and with vulgar rebukes in other cases.

8. I may also state that from the statements recorded - both of prisoners and Jail Officials and from my own observation I am convinced that the quality of buller dhal passed by the Superintendent and supplied to prisoners has been very bad for some months and the representations about the bad quality of the dhal supplied were not cared for by the Superintendent, Mr. Nanjappa.

9. It will also be seen from the statements recorded, that some of the prisoners who applied for fresh clothing were told by Mr. Nanjappa that there was no money in the Treasury, some were told that they would get their fresh clothing after Mr. Palpu returns and others were told that their representations would be sent to Mr. Palpu. Prisoners who complained of the curry being bitter were asked to eat their pudding with water or to throw it away and others were ordered that they should eat what the "Sircar" supplied them.

10. In the supply of clothing to prisoners Mr. Nanjappa has been negligent. His inattention to sick prisoners who deserved treatment is also inexcusable.

11. The Superintendent should have examined the buller dhal on days other than the inspection days and satisfied himself that the dhal issued was good and fit for human consumption. Instructions from me to exercise ceonomy, cannot be accepted as justification to keep prisoners in rags.

12. Among the prisoners taken out of the file on the day I inspected the prisoners and ordered to be sent to the Hospital there was (1) a prisoner with very bad extensive ulceration of the tongue (2) a prisoner with an opened Boil on his ankle with his fetter resting on it, (3) a prisoner with a number of Sinuses on his scrotum (4) a prisoner with a large number of boils on each of his nates, (5) a prisoner with extensive inflamation of one of his legs with a fetter on it. These and many others mentioned in the list herewith submitted ought to have been admitted into the Hospital and treated as inpatients, some of them weeks before inspection and others some days before inspection.

13. The Prisoner Chinniah who assaulted the Superintendent has been convicted and sentenced by the City Magistrate, Bangalore to suffer 18 months rigorous imprisonment, 3 months of which being solitary confinement. The copy of judgement passed by the Magistrate in the case is herewith sent.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector-General of Prisons.

1915.

From

The Inspector-General of
Prisons in Mysore.

To.

The Secretary to Govt.
Rev. Department.

No.

Dated September 1915.

Ens.

Submits detailed report on the assault took place in the Central Jail, Bangalore, on the 17th Aug: 1

Letter No. nil dated the 14th September 1915, from Mr. T. S. Nanjappa; to Rao Bahadur T. V. Arumugam Mudliar, Esqr., Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore.

With reference to his Memorandum No. 1453/100-07 dated 26th August 1915, has the honor to submit the explanation as follows:-

2. The allegations made against the Superintendent, Central Jail, Bangalore, are:-

(a) That the buller dhal passed by the Superintendent was worm-eaten and mixed with black grains, and consequently bitter to the taste when made into curry.

(b) That the prisoners were not given clothing, though they were entitled to the same by efflux of time.

(c) That the prisoners were not admitted to the Hospital and taken proper care of when they were sick.

(d) That the only vegetables given to the prisoners consisted of greens mostly.

3. As regards the first of these allegations, viz, that bad buller dhal was given to the prisoners, the Superintendent is required to inspect the ration articles only once in a week as per Section 6 of the Mysore Jail Manual. After he has inspected and passed the said articles, the responsibility of issuing the good and approved articles rests with the issuing officer, as per Section 534 of the Mysore Jail Manual. If, at the time of issuing, the said officer should find any defects or irregularities, he should invite the attention of the Superintendent to the same and have them rectified. The buller dhal that was inspected by the Inspector-General of Prisons

and

and pronounced to be bad by him was not passed by the Superintendent. It is the Chief Jailor and his deputies that have to answer for the bad quality of the dhal issued, and they made no complaint to the Superintendent in this connection nor did they invite his attention to the same. When, however, on one or two occasions, certain prisoners complained to the Superintendent that the buller dhal supplied to them was bad and bitter to the taste, the said officer made the Chief Warder Mr. Lovery to taste the curry and give his opinion. As however, Mr Lovery said that the curry was alright and as also other convicts who had tasted the same pronounced it was alright, the Superintendent found that further action in the matter was not called for. In this connection, even the Chief Jailor who was asked to have some of the dhal complained against, cooked in his own house, reported that there was nothing wrong with it. Three or four days after the assault on the Superintendent, the Chief Jailor called at the Superintendent in his quarters at about 9 P.M. and assured him that the assault was not due to the supposed issue of bad rations, but was really due to the restrictions placed over the receipt of prohibited articles by the convicts, and to having refused permission to the Mohamadan Warder convicts to feast themselves from their earnings on the occasion of the last Ramzan Khutba. The Superintendent has his reasons for not granting the permission. Under the circumstances set forth above, there was nothing to rouse the doubts or suspicions of the Superintendent that the convicts had anything substantial to complain of.

4. In a big institution like the Central Jail it need hardly be said that it is impossible for the Superintendent to look into every detail every day and that he has to trust his subordinates discharging their duty or duties faithfully. When at the time of inspection the Superintendent found the buller dhal good and passed it, and as subsequent to that there was no report to the contrary by either the Chief Jailor

or issuing officer, there was nothing for the Superintendent to suspect that the buller actually issued contained any admixture of black or worm-eaten grains. The Superintendent, it must be obvious, has absolutely no motive to ill-treat the convicts by issuing bad grains to them or to favour the contractor by accepting inferior grains from him.

5. As regards the clothing issued to the convicts, the Superintendent never received any complaints from either the convicts or his own subordinates that convicts wanted new clothing. As can be easily gathered from the inspection notes and the accounts in the Manufacturing Department, the Superintendent has never failed to issue new clothing whenever they were wanted at every inspection. A comparison of the monthly average expenditure as regards clothing issued during the present Superintendent's tenure of office with those of his predecessors' will clearly show whether clothing has been issued to convicts regularly whenever there was need for issue of new clothes. The Superintendent has been warned by the Inspector-General of Prisons himself that for want of funds the expenditure under the head of clothing must be curtailed as much as possible. Sections 559 and 560 also provide that strict economy should be maintained in the issue of new clothing to prisoners. Under the above circumstances, the Superintendent has not failed to do anything which he should have done or which he could reasonably be expected to do.

6. In this connection, the Superintendent would like to point out that the Chief Hailor or his deputy is required under Sections 63, 75 and 558 of the Mysore Jail Manual to hold a parade of the prisoners on Sundays and examine their clothing to see that the necessary repairs are done for the same and to bring to the notice of the Superintendent whatever requirements may be necessary. It is on account of the want of this that the Superintendent was not aware of any defects as regards the

clothing

clothing of the prisoners, and this accounts for the prisoners having appeared in poor clothing on the day of the parade, particularly on the day of inspection by the Inspector-General of Prisons.

7. As regards sick convicts not being duly cared for.:- As a Medical Officer, the Superintendent is in a position to find out when a convict is really sick and on that account incapacitated from work. It is a very common occurrence to find that convicts under various kinds of pretence plead illness merely to evade work. Whenever such cases of sham illness are detected, the Superintendent has to deal with them with a fairly strong hand. Under the rules, it is the duty of the Chief Jailor to send any cases of illness that may come to his notice in spite of the supervision of the Superintendent to the Jail Hospital for necessary treatment. By a reference to the Medical Officer's Diary, the Inspector-General of Prisons will be pleased to know the number of convicts withdrawn from the file for treatment on inspection days.

8. As regards the issue of greens only to the convicts, the Superintendent would like to respectfully maintain that his conduct in issuing greens on alternate days was quite proper and consistent with rules and the usual practice. The issue of greens to convicts has nowhere been condemned. The Superintendent has to be allowed a certain amount of discretion in deciding whether greens along with other vegetables is good for convicts or not. The Superintendent is not aware of any rule or principle which condemns the issue of greens to prisoners. A reference to the Garden Accounts will clearly show whether only greens were issued or with vegetables.

9. In conclusion, the undersigned would like to state that the several irregularities noted and observed by the Inspector-General of Prisons have been possible owing to the negligence and lack of sense of duty on the part of

the Chief Jailor and his deputies. The undersigned has s... grounds to suspect that this conduct on thier part has been wilful and deliberate . In fact, it appears to have been part of an organized scheme to invite trouble on the Superintender to serve their own ends. The present Superintendent was oblig to set his foot very strongly against a few of the objectionabl practices that he found in vogue amongst the officials of the Jail. The root cause of all the complaints now trumped up again the Superintendent and all the appearances that have been created to lend support to those complaints is to be found in the circumstances set forth above.

10. The undersigned is prepared to have all these matters thoroughly sifted and investigated by a competent judicial officer or body. If called upon, the undersigned is equally prepared to try and substantiate the statements he has made in this report, much against his will and inclination, and solely with the object of furnishing some data for the learned Inspector-General &c to go upon.

Inspector-General of Prisons.

15/9/15.

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Please acknowledge receipt

2nd December

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DIARY NO. 19-19

from

P. S. Achyutarao Esq. B.A.

Retired Inspector General of Registration

in Mysore

To

V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer Esq. B.A.

Secretary to the Govt. of H.H. the Maharaja of

Revenue Dept.

Sir

As desired in your No. J 2036 of 26th Nov

Mys 19-15.

I have the honor to forward the enclosures.

I have the honor to

Sir

Your most obedt. servant

P. S. Achyutarao

Report-

Before dealing with the matters in issue
I may state for the information of the parties
that it was my intention, made clear to
Mr. Chaundy from the outset, that the
conclusions we may arrive at should
be based on the enquiry held by us and
that we should not allow ourselves, for
various reasons, to be influenced one
way or the other by statements not given
and recorded before us; and my reason
for suggesting this course was that
previous statements would not
properly be part of the enquiry that
we were directed to hold and it would
be unsafe to base our conclusions on
statements given by persons whose veracity
we had no opportunity of testing
and whose demeanour we had no
opportunity of observing.

2. My opinion is therefore based altogether
upon the materials furnished to us at-

the enquiry.

3: The evidence let in, so far as they affect- Dr Ramjappa, the Superintendent, maybe said to have been directed to the following matters: —

(a) That Barbar supplied to the prisoners during his time probably tasted better on boiling.

(b) He, allg a sudden ~~de~~ on the first- day of his inspection, cut-down to almost- Zero the number of "rice eats" "Payre" (stews) and Curry Luxuries.

(c) The Supply of Clothing to the prisoners was not as liberal as that in Vogue during his predecessors time.

(d) He refused to grant the small Sum of four annas or so to each of the Mahomedan and Hindu Convicts under guards from out of their own Earnings in the jail, wherewith to purchase Some jaggery &c: in Vier to celebrate their annual feast days Viz Ramzan Kutta and Muharamaram Respectively.

(e) She uses it constantly searching for forbidden articles in the possession of Convicts.

(f) She interfered with Small perquisites of the Chief Jailor, such as private service of Jail warders and Convicts.

1. In regard to the first point I am not satisfied on the evidence on record that the fact, that Brittan of very inferior training unfit to be entrusted with the food given to the prisoners was repeatedly brought to the notice of the Inspector: and that he failed to take steps to remedy this evil. There is no entry in the jailor's or deputy jailor's or Chief warder's diaries to this effect. In fact no diaries have been kept by the Chief Jailor for a long time past. There are some entries only from August 1915 and I have no doubt that these entries have been made after he knew that a Special Committee had been

appointed to enquire into Jail
irregularities. Even in these entries, a
they are, there is no mention made in
regard to the bad quality of Ballar.
All that the Chief Jailor has stated is th
he verbally brought the fact to the not
of the Superintendent once or twice. The Report
Jailor states that he intimated the fa
Jailor since he was under the impress
that the Chief Jailor must have spoken
the Superintendent about it. The Chief warder
who was in immediate charge of the
issue of daily rations to the kitche
sent once brought to the notice of the
Superintendent the complaint about Ballar
being bad.

10 In regard to "Rice riots" the Jam
prepared to hold that the
explanation of Mr Ramjattan a
Rice factory. He refused to Commu
the jail into an [illegible] Co. This

predecessor was probably ~~dissatisfied~~ generous in the matter of feeding the Convicts. What his reasons were for this generosity we cannot see and we need not. But it is clear that Dr. Ranjappa restricted rice diets and Kuzhi (Cholera) to absolute medical necessities. He was perhaps faultless in making a clean sweep of luxuries with a single stroke of his pen and on the very first day of his inspection; but I cannot say he has contravened the provisions of the Jail Manual in this respect.

[redacted]

III. In regard to the supplies of Clothing Dr. Ranjappa's explanation seems to me to be likewise satisfactory. Of the Budget grant under this head Rs. has been expended during the first four months of the year and with the remaining one-third he has to meet the cost of clothing for the remaining eight months of the

Jean. With all the economy that he
Exercises he was only barely able to
meet the receipts by an additional
grant of Rs: 500/. Short-term prisoners
are as a rule given old clothing and
it is not unfrequently that it is they
that complained of torn clothes.
The Codal rules are strict in regard
to the period after which long termers
should get renewal of their clothes and
Dr Ramjappa seems to have
insisted upon the prisoners getting
new clothes only after the prescribed
period. To my mind it does not
appear that any legitimate
grievance could either have existed
or ventilated as suggested by some
of the convicts.

IV In regard to the grant of small
sums of money, four annas or so,
to each convict under parole
out of his own earnings in the jail
it is beyond doubt, a wise direction to pay

that there is no provision in the Jail Manual for such a grant: there was, however, a long-standing precedent and Dr. Ranjitsinha would have done well to have followed the Manual. The boon involved no loss to Govt: the amount given is small and comes out of the convict's own earnings and may indirectly act as an incentive to good behaviour, without any breach of discipline.

V. Search for forbidden articles: It would have been wise on Dr. Ranjitsinha's part to have restricted the search only to the occasions on which reports had reached him that such and such a prisoner was in possession of forbidden articles. He heedlessly exceeded the limits of search. No Superintendent of any Jail in India has up to date succeeded, so far as I am aware of, in preventing illicit entry of forbidden articles into his Jail. The best of Superintendents

have been able but to limit the
number by periodical searches of
the likely depositories in the jail premises
thereby minimise the smuggling.
Dr. Ramjappa searched for forbidden
articles under eating pots and under
beds - the most unlikely places for
secreting such - as experience has
shewn.

VII With reference to point (f) it is not
unlikely that when such a large number
of prisoners could be made available
the Chief Jailor did not utilise their
services and the Inspector on one
or two occasions when he noticed
the convicts being employed
in or about the premises of the
Chief Jailor divided them off
in gangs and told off some of them
for duty elsewhere, actuated more
by the interests of discipline rather

Hardly any desire to cause inconvenience to the Chief Justice and this might no doubt have put out his latter to a certain extent and caused some irritation also.

4. But nevertheless I am not satisfied that the evidence on record is sufficient to justify my holding that there has been such systematic bad supply of food so intolerable to the convicts as to prick them to the extent of taking revenge on the Superintendent himself in the conviction that he was primarily responsible for it and that he should be singled out for being dealt with in such ignominious manner. There has been no record of any previous complaint and it will not be safe to accept as true the oral evidence of a few interested witnesses whose testimony to my mind does not appear to be either

worthy, reliable or acceptable - In
appreciating the evidence it has to be
borne in mind that whatever motive
the assailant may have had, he
could not have carried out his intention
unless he was assisted by other persons,
but it appears to me that he was only
made a cat's paw of by other designing
persons who bore a grudge to the Supdt.
and this part of the case has been
rendered more difficult by the
existence of two factions among
the convicts in the jail, one faction
giving half-hearted evidence against
the Supdt: and the other faction
supporting the Chief Jailor both of whom

5. Criminal the assailant has
never been punished by the Supdt: by
and could have had no grudge against
him. She was drugged with alcohol
and ganja and had been cajoled

with nice sweets &c - He was a low class
pariah by Caste and was a Kooty or
Cabrine cleaner in the jail. He was
evidently selected, as an assault with a shoe
by him and his spitting on the face of
a Lingayet Superintendent would be
more disgraceful to the latter in the
eyes of the convicts and the outside
world than a similar assault by
a better class convict. I am sure
that the shoe supplied to him was that
of one Sebastian a pariah Roman
Catholic Christian and a temporary
or Contingent warder of the jail.

This man Sebastian ~~of~~ bluffed
his uttermost. He pretended
to be stone-deaf and that the shoe
did not fit his leg - He had provided
himself with a particularly thick
sock - All his bluffing for a quarter
of an hour however was of no use.
It was found that the shoe exactly

lifted Bois leg. It was proved afterwards that the shoe was his.

Head warder Babworth was named as the person that supplied the shoe to convict Chinniah. She was the person it was said that cleverly kept the shoe in the possession of Chinniah a few minutes before, it fell off the convicts foot within the view of the blanket-men. He stretched his hand out in parade. Babworth's explanation for the convict naming him in particular was that he identified old offenders before magistrates, and that he keeps the superintendant in searching prisoners for forbidden articles with them and that therefore habitual or old offenders were generally dead against him. It will be seen from Babworth's own evidence that he was not the only official that identified old offenders

before Magistrates and that Chimnick had not been identified by him and that he could not think of any particular reason for his (Babookeer's) name being specially mentioned as the abettor in the crime.

The marginally noted pencil notes, jotted down by Deputy Jailor Knapp, tell a terrible tale, pieced together by me, of clear proof that Convict Chimnick had been removed by Head Warder Babookeer from his usual place of working into the barrack where the assault took place and in the latrine of which barrack the knife had been concealed. This fact very strongly suggests the part Babookeer took in the conspiracy.

That the conspiracy to assault the Capt.ⁿ had been hatched for some days previous, to my mind admits of no doubt. This much however is certain that the assault was in the probability conceived

"Chimnick was in 2ⁿᵈ. room A. Blks: on the 16ᵗʰ August last. He was working as permanent Party of the 6ᵗʰ Blks: and was changed on Sunday the 15ᵗʰ August to A. Blks: by Head Warder Babookeer, and the prisoner did not do any work in A. Blks: No: 158 Hokiatang was ordered by Babookeer to do this work of the 6ᵗʰ Blks: on Sunday the 15ᵗʰ Aug.ˢᵗ in place of Chimnick. Then Chimnick was ordered by Babookeer to go back to 6ᵗʰ Blks: On Sunday the 16ᵗʰ to do Party work as usual."

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and Engineered by Sunkal Thone Rhyman, Sisedalinga, Subbarayalu Naidu, Lecun and Rhymankhan. What part, I think, the Chief Justice took in it- I shall discuss later on. I feel morally certain that Head took no Bobo Rao had a share in the Conspiracy; to what particular share he had, I cannot exactly say. It strikes me that he was the medium of the transfer of the shoe from Lebastien to Chinniah.

Mr. Tate's income is evidently not enough to meet the wants of his family. He has therefore been borrowing. He could not find more accommodating people than the Contractors of the Jail in the different departments there of.

Jail contractors do not legally lend money to jail officials merely for the usual interest. They expect some special consideration. So long as a weak or corrupt Supt. is in charge of the jail the Chief Jailor is the Boss of the Show. When a strict Supt. tries to conscientously discharge his duty and checks every thing himself the Chief Jailor becomes a non-entity and his vile is passed against the Supt.

In this particular instance Dr. Tate has borrowed from every one of the contractors. The special Consideration expected by them he probably has not been able to show under the superintendentship of Messrs. Palfrey and Dorrjappa.

Even the small privileges permitted by Dr Palfyn or enjoyed by Mr Tate even without Dr Palfyn's permission he has been deprived of by Dr Ranjitsha. Naturally Mr Tate could not put up with it.

It is in evidence that Mr Tate was not well disposed even towards Dr Palfyn. Probably he must have heard that Dr Palfyn was not an easy person to be dealt with nor was he likely to play to this (Tate's) time in the management of the jail. Sivalinga and others were therefore got ready to intimidate Dr Palfyn. The doctor was evidently a skilful man and more than a match to Mr Tate. It is in evidence that by skilful manoevering Mr Tate was non-plussed and nothing happened

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to Wᵐ Palfrey. ~~I do not~~

It is also in evidence that under Wᵐ Tate's instigation Wᵐ Ball the Deputy Jailer was seriously assaulted by some convicts in the Supreme Jail. The reason why Wᵐ Tate entertained ill-will towards Wᵐ Ball has been explained by the latter in his evidence. If the attendant-circumstances as detailed by Wᵐ Ball viz the absence of Chief warder Shahamed Hussein on leave at the particular period of the assault, the warders present on duty not having helped Wᵐ Ball when he was assaulted, the general behaviour of Wᵐ Tate in regard to his having taken no notice of Wᵐ Ball's request to separate his assailants and lock them up in cells and so on are true, as I hold that they are, there seems to be

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no doubt that Mr. Tate was, at the least, culpably negligent of his duties if he did not connive at the conspiracy to assault Mr. Ball.

In the case of the assault on Mr. Darcy appear at the Bangalore Central Jail the following facts stand glaringly against Mr. Tate

(a) He had taken leave on Sunday and Monday the 15th & 16th August 1915. The assault from all accounts was to have occurred on Monday the 16th August.

(b) He did not shew his righteous anger and helabour assailant - Chinniah for having actually beaten the Convict with a shoe and later spitting full in his face. His anger did not extend to even

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putting heavy chains on the
assistants legs; whereas on a previous
occasion he took upon the skin of
the head of Karia and put on terribly
thick chains and rings on his legs
for only, according to his own account,
an attempt to assault him (Mr Tate)
Karia was given raggi to grind after
having been flogged and put on
heavy chains.

I weighed the respective chains
and found a pair of the exact kind
put on Chimiadis leg (only one leg had
the chain & the other only a ring) weighed
one pound and ten ounces and
Karia's fully ten pounds. Karia
was constantly under the fire of
Mr Tates anger since "the attempt"

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to assault him and Capt. Nias has sympathetically treated after the actual assault on the Supdt. Dr. Ramjappa, his superior officer.

The assault on Dr. Ball at the Mysore Jail and on Dr. Ramjappa at the B.C. Jail occurred during the Superintendentship of the latter in both the Jails.

The evidence adduced before us has left the impression on me that Dr. Tate has undoubtedly been privy to the assault on Dr. Ball at the Mysore Jail, intended assault on Dr. Palpu and actual assault on Dr. Ramjappa at the Bangalore Central Jail. I have referred at some length to the previous incidents connected with Dr.

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Conduct - and would, if believed,
render highly probable the part-
he is said to have taken in the
Assault - in Question -

The Complaints in regard to the
bitter bathes, insufficient clothing, refusal
on the part of the Supdt: to grant Leave
Loans of money to Convict-warder
Funds from out of their earnings for
the celebration of their important annual
feasts, Dr Tale seems to have cleverly
utilised for serving his own purpose
against the Supdt: Dr Ramjappa.
Fanakal Abdul Rhyman a well-to-do
Convict and the leader of the
Mahommedan section of the Convict-
warder Funds came in handy to
supplying funds for the purchase
of arrack, ganja, sweets &c. Babu
Row evidently brought the purchased

articles into the jail and they were passed on to Chinniah and his comrades by Sidalinga and Secuo. Probably a number of them enjoyed the luxury of a drink and sweets and ganja was particularly given to Chinniah to fortify him for the assault on Dr. Ranjappa.

On Monday the 16th August 1915 Dr. Ranjappa had communicated to the Inspector General of Prisons what he had heard from Dr. Narisamappa the previous evening - what was told by Dr. Ranjappa was at any rate enough to convey the impression that the Chief Jailor Mr. Tate was privy to the Conspiracy to assault him (Dr. Ranjappa). The assault actually did take place on the next day, Tuesday the 17th August 1915. The Inspector General came to the jail to make enquiries and he would have done well, under the circumstances,

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if he had kept the Chief Jailor away
when Convicts were being questioned
about the assault. She unfortunately
followed the opposite course & he kept
the Supt; who had been assaulted,
Completely in the back ground and
permitted the domineering presence
of the Chief Jailor all along. In fact it
recorded the statements
was the Chief Jailor who ~~listened to the dictation~~
before of the Inspector General (vide Mr Yates's
Statement).

The result was that the prisoners
could not possibly accuse the Chief
Jailor in his very presence nor
would they come out with the truth
in regard to the entire history of
the show or the conspiracy connected
with the assault. Thus at the possible
earliest opportunity the prisoners
committed themselves to a
particular line of action and
the work of shifting the truth in the

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further and detailed enquiry before us, has become a somewhat difficult task. Added to this Mr. Tate lived in the premises for over ten days from the date of the assault and in that period the evidence visitors that he was seeing them near his window and it is not unlikely that he had utilised these opportunities to further influence them to lean on his side. Obviously he could have had no other object in intervening them pending the enquiry.

Jail Discipline

To use a hackneyed expression, the discipline in the Bangalore Central Jail is gone to the dogs. The Jail officials, the paid men that have to take work from the convicts,

The convict-overseers and Assistants have all deposed that there is no such thing as discipline in this Jail now. Some convicts that appeared before us to give evidence were greatly afraid lest - they maybe murdered if the more influential and powerful Convicts Come to know that anything had been said by these witnesses against them. Sodomy, Gambling, Ganja smoking and Arrack bouts seem to be common and indulged in with impunity; So much so that it had been sometimes found impossible to get the prescribed work out of the Convicts. This it should be admitted is a deplorable State of affairs.

My Conclusions therefore are that Dr Ramjappa acted perfectly bona fide in the matter of Clothing, price & hyre (dress) &c &c. His one object was to cut down

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expenditure and per-centage of profit. I
Can not believe his statement that, having
Come to believe that Dr. Palfrey was not likely
to return as the Jail Superintendent he took
by dint of energetic and conscientious
work to strengthen his claim for the permanent
Superintendentship of the Jail. He did not
know the men he had to deal with and he
knew thoroughly backed in fact. I cannot bring
home the charge of negligence or dishonesty
to him. His dealings with the convicts were
tactlessly strict. His behaviour to his
subordinates was all sympathy and kind-
heartedness but "the mailed fist" that
should have been behind it all was
altogether wanting.

Mr. Tate the Chief Jailor is, I think, an
undesirable person as a Jailor. From
the time of Mr. Henderson such a thing
as an assault against Jail officers
by convicts has been unheard of. During
the period that Mr. Tate was Jailor there
have been the following assaults.

1. A grievous assault on Mr. Ball the Deputy Jailor of the Mysore Jail.

2. An "attempt" (which however was an actual assault) to assault himself (Mr. Tate) by a convict named Kunia - who had been goaded to it - by the brutal treatment he was getting at the Chief Jailors hands.

3. An assault - on a Duffedar by name Thimmah by a convict - said to be a favorite of Mr. Tate.

4. An assault - on the Hospital Dr. Ranjappa.

and

An absurdic attempt at assaulting Mr. Palpu -

My recommendations are :-

Radical treatment - is urgently called for in the case of the Bangalore Central Jail -

1. Mr. Tate I think, should be substantially degraded if not - dismissed the service.

2. Skeen transfer Baboo Rao, I think Should also go. As however he has just

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in a long term of service he may be given a reduced pension or gratuity.

3. Deputy Jailor Swaffer should, I think, be retired on such pension as he may be entitled to.

4. Assistant-Chief warder Venkataramana, from what I know of him, should have given us valuable information in regard to the conspiracy - He has failed to help us; from what motives I cannot divine. It would be safe to retire him.

5. Thangarajin - known as brick layer mistry in the Jail - should be dismissed.

6. The following life convicts should who have had promotion

I think be reduced to ordinary convicts until by good conduct for at least two years they prove themselves fit for promotion.

If it is practicable to do so with an arrangement with the Govt: of Madras it would be safest to transfer them to a Jail in the Madras Presidency.

1. Ismakal Abdul Rahiman
2. Siddalinga
3. Rachoti

4. Rhymankhan
5. Ramaswami
6. Seenu —
7. Kaka alias Muniswami.

7. A strong, tall robust-looking official, preferably from the Police Department - and one that has earned a name for unsullied honesty in that department, should be appointed as the Jailor of the Bangalore Central Jail.

8. An officer that has tact - in abundance and is hitherto firm and has a commanding appearance and is courageous should be appointed as the Superintendent of the Jail.

9. It is also a point for consideration whether the present unsatisfactory system of employing convicts as warder guards may not be replaced by employing military

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men or other paid agency [illegible]
permitting of course.

T. J. Cuthbertson

Re further "explanation" received from Dr. Tate.

The only two points in this "explanation" that in my opinion need consideration are (i) "the suddenly conceived leniency on the part of the Captain" noted in (4) on page 11 of the typed copy and (ii) the alleged necessity of his (Dr. Tate's) having to procure a "duplicate copy of the medical certificate" noted in (5) on page 13 of the same.

In regard to the first point I asked Dr. Haigh the what explanation he had to offer and his reply in original is hereto attached.

In regard to the second point I fail to see what advantage the Captain or the jail officials expected to obtain by burking the original certificate. If it was anyone's concern to have it burked it was Dr. Tate's, as it would afford him means of staying no longer in the Chief Justice's quarters and give him facilities to influence him of the prisoners as he pretended him to speak on his behalf during the evening.

1st December 1915.

T. J. Cuthbertson

Scale of usual diet - lbs.1-4-0 of Ragi &) per head per diem and
0-4-0 of Rice) the cost as per current contract rate is Rs.1-12-5 per head per month.

Scale of Rice diet lbs.1-8-0 of Rice)
(per head per diem.
--do-- Tyre lbs.0-8-0 of Tyre)

The cost is Rs.3-4-5 per head per month. Hence the difference is Rs.1-8-0 per head per month.

Current Contract rate -

Rice lbs. 15-8-0 per rupee

Ragi " 29-0-0 "

BANGALORE CENTRAL JAIL.

Statement showing the number of prisoners under Rice and Tyre diets from 21st January 1913 to 7th October 1915.

Month.	Number of prisoners under Rice diet — Total number for the month.	Rice diet — Daily average number	Tyre diet — Total number for the month.	Tyre diet — Daily average number.	Remarks.
21st January 1913	There were 66 prisoners under Rice diet and 35 under Tyre diet.				Dr. Palpu took charge of this Jail on 21st January 1913.
February 1913	2025	72	2384	92	
March "	2240	72	3083	110	
April "	1436	48	1598	50	
May "	1705	55	1473	49	
June "	2751	92	2599	76	
July "	2809	91	2745	89	
August "	2670	86	3076	99	
September "	2863	95	2157	83	
October "	2744	89	2957	95	
November "	1795	60	2191	73	
December "	1772	57	2896	83	
January 1914	1842	59	1761	65	
February "	1658	59	1759	63	
March "	2376	77	2587	83	
April "	2085	69	2101	70	
May "	2114	68	2237	72	
June "	2127	71	1944	65	
July "	1943	63	1649	53	
August "	2323	75	1357	44	
September "	2157	72	1392	41	
October "	2040	93	1174	53	From 1st to 22nd Dr.Nanjappa took charge on 22-10-14
Do. "	598	66	160	27	From 23rd to the end of the month.
November "	202	7	254	8	
December "	157	5	77	2	
January 1915	161	5	53	2	
February "	152	5	58	2	
March "	198	6	70	3	
April "	228	7	103	3	
May "	276	9	234	8	
June "	180	6	174	6	
July "	179	6	188	6	From 1st to 17th Day of
August "	124	7	252	12	assault 17-8-15.
Do. "	153	11	170	17	From 18th to the end of the month.)
September "	4627	154	2855	92	
October "	1426	203	660	94	From 1st to the 7th of the month.)

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Statement showing cases of Dysentery, & Diarrhoea, treated at the Central Jail Hospital, Bangalore.

Years.	Total treated.	Cases of dysentery.		Cases of Diarrhoea.		Total mortality	Remarks.
		Treated.	Deaths	Treated	Deaths		
1910.	513	77	1	47	3	9	of which 1 suicide, in garden of V.D.H.
1911.	502	30	-	41	-	4	1 suicide.
1912.	560	39	1	58	3	11	1 accidental drowning & 1 judicial hanging.
1913.	469	18	1	14	-	11	4 judicial hanging.
1914.	98	4	1	4	1	12	1 drowning.
1915. (end of Septr)	173	29	-	11	-	11	2 judicial hanging.
22-10-1914 to 13-9-1915.	188	27	-	11	-	13	of which 2 judicial hanging.

Bangalore
28th November 1915

Dr. P. S. Kothyuttha Rao

Retired Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore
and Member of the Enquiry Committee

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 27th inst.
calling for my explanation on a certain portion
of Mr. Dutt's statement,

I beg to report that there were a number
of vacancies among the Convict-Headsmen, and
I promoted a few of the 1st Class Convicts
including Convict-Karia and Kempakkana
Nhimma, and gave them turbans; in the
Case of Karia I came to know latterly that
he was wrongly implicated and punished
On one or two occasions, and I therefore
merely restored him to his former place
of Convict-Headsman.

2. As regards the "Suddenly conceived
leniency" on my part, I was obliged

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to carry out the personal orders of the Inspector-General of Prisons. Convict-Chinna who assaulted me complained to the Inspector-General of Prisons that he (the convict) was not able to eat the rugi food on account of pain in the chest due to his having been severely beaten by the Warders on the day of assault. As a matter of fact he was not beaten but was only secured with some difficulty and hand-cuffed. The Inspector-General ordered to give the convict rice and milk diet from the Hospital for some days. Just a few days before the assault upon me, I had found a number of prohibited articles along with a few sundry manufactured articles carefully concealed in the gunny shed which was in charge of the Convict-Warder Sgt Rachoti; I had therefore reduced him to 1st class convict for which he had refused food. The Inspector-General on learning this ordered the sub-asst surgeon to give

the convict rice and milk diet for a few days and keep him ~~for a few days~~ a few days in the Hospital; he (the D.S.) personally ordered me to restore him (the convict) to his former place as a convict Warder Guard, and I had to carry out the orders. It had been approved by the Government to convert the barracks which was in the occupation of the convict-warder Guards, into a juvenile prison, and I had to get it vacated for the D.P.W. authorities to carry out the necessary alteration and had to find room for the convict-warder Guards in the two II cells (?) which was the only portion available. The D.P.W. authorities had finished the necessary alterations to the intended juvenile prison which would have been occupied by the juveniles but-for the broken condition of the floor which matter was under

correspondence with the Engineering Department. 119

After the assault, the convict Ward Guards represented the matter of their having been shifted to the No II cells to the Inspector-General who told me in person to give back their old places of living and to suggest a separate place for the construction of a juvenile prison. I was, there, once obliged to carry out the order, and shift the Convict Warder Guards to their old barrack, thus loosing the immediate product of the long-intended separation of the juveniles from the adult-prisoners. After the assault, some of the convicts represented to the Inspector-General that they were deprived of mutton which they were getting some years ago, and he promised them that he would obtain early Government-sanction for the issue of mutton again as formerly.

3. Hence the "suddenly conceived

leniency" on my part was entirely due to the personal wishes of the Inspector-General and not due to any laxity on my part for any ulterior motive. I therefore beg leave to ~~tell~~ totally deny the charge and insinuation of nepotism, ~~and~~ as in most of the cases I had to merely carry out the orders of the Inspector-General without using my own judgment.

I beg to remain,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

J. Lucas Gibbon
District Medical & Sanit. Officer
Bonaventure District.

GPH

Dr. Atchuta Rao has written a full & exhaustive report as regards the result of our Enquiry.

I agree with him generally in his statements & conclusions but with the following comments & reservations.

(1) He has omitted one item against Mr. Ranjappa, viz that he did not allow the prisoners to keep their breakfast for eating it later. This shows, as well as the other facts commented on by Dr Atchuta Rao, that Mr. Ranjappa exhibited unnecessary severity, & want of tact.

(2) As regards 'Ballar', I do not think that Subordinates after mentioning verbally that

it was had worked so & enter the facts in their diaries, if no action is taken on the verbal report.- Mr. Date says that Mr. Ramiappa admitted that he was careless in the matter; & this point, is I think, proved from the Evidence.

(3) There is another point that these prisoners were not being attended to as carefully as possible; but it is possible for hardened criminals to make a show of greater ills than is actual

(4) As regards Mr Date, the facts that there have been so many assaults in his time, and that he borrowed money from Contractors are enough

to show that he is unfit to be a Chief Jailor; but ~~[illegible]~~ the Evidence on record, read along with his defence statement, leaves the impression on my mind that the grave charge that he inspired the assault is not proved or sufficiently substantiated. From the Evidence, & from the previous history of men like Dunnakal Abdul Rahman, it may be presumed that these hardened Criminals are expectant, even without support from the Jail Officers, to carry out

an assault. The immediate
causes of the assault appear
to be the want of tact and
undue severity of Dr. Narayana
esp. in the matter of refusing
to give the usual presents during
Ramzan feast, & China appears
to have been made a tool of
by the Sunnarkal Abdur Rahman
& other Criminals. I am
unable to find from the
Evidence that either Dr. Date or
Bapu Rao were active
instigators to the assault. It has to be
remembered that the Evidence is of Soviets & has
not been Cross-Examined
(5) Dr. Archuta Rao
refers at some length to the
assault on Dr Ball but as
that case was not gone into by
us I am unable to form any
Conclusion from it; Similarly as
regards the attempted assault on Dr Rao
but as stated supra, the facts

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Romany assault did take place during Mr. Date's time, proves his unfitness for the place (15)

(6) The Evidence does not warrant any inference that Mr. Nanjappa led Dr. Arumugam to think that Mr. Date was privy to the intended assault. There is nothing to show that at that time Mr. Nanjappa ~~was~~ suspected that Mr. Date was instigating an assault. This appears to have been a later suspicion ~~of~~

(7) The most important point made from the Enquiry is that discipline in the jail is utterly loose now; and drastic measures are necessary to improve it, as regards the individuals who dealt with and have that Entire

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(8) Need to Emphasise that even after taking all precautions, discipline may so ~~easily~~ lose again unless the hardened Criminals are kept absolutely separate from the others; if they cd be sent outside more, so much the better; in any case, they shd ~~have~~ be kept absolutely & permanently separate

2/12/15 K Chandy

Passing orders on the report of the Jail enquiry.

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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READ—

G.P. No 1042-71 Pris 19-15-4 dt 10th Sept 1915 directing among other things, an enquiry being conducted by a committee, consisting of —

Date of issue 25th March 1916.

Signed by Mr. G. Srinivasa Iyer

ORDER THEREON.—No. 1 Mr Achyuta Rao assisted by the D.C. Bangalore the Efficiency Audit Officer, into the irregularities in the B.C. Jail which resulted in an assault on the Supdt Mr. T.S. Ranjappa.

over.

SUBJECT.

GPB—50,000—4-12-12

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2. The report of the Committee

of 2nd Dec 1915.

Order thereon No. J 3821-2. Encl. one file to the I.G. of Pris.

From a perusal of the report of the D.G. of Prisons and the report of the Committee Govt consider that Mr E.W.L. Tate was to a large extent responsible for want of discipline in the Bangalore Central Jail. He entered into monetary dealings with the contractors and placed himself under their obligation and was thus unable to exercise sufficient check over them. His conduct being thus very unsatisfactory Mr Achyuta Rao and the D.G. of Prisons are of opinion that he is unfit to be Chief Jailor and also recommend that he may be dismissed from service. Govt agreeing with their views direct that Mr Tate be dismissed from service.

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2. Mr Sinappa Ag. 2nd Jailor is reported to be a weak minded man and ~~that he~~ unfit to ~~cannot~~ discharge the duties of ~~the~~ 2nd Jailor. ~~Govt therefore~~ He will revert. ~~cancelled his reversion~~ to the previous ministerial appointment held by him.

3. It is evident that Mr Nanjappa worked in good faith with a view to enforce better discipline and to correct the irregularities in the Jail, and that he attempted also to exercise economy by prudent management and by conforming to rules. As he has been transferred from the Jail Govt do not consider that any further notice of his conduct is necessary. He may however be informed that he should have exercised

but he lacked tact in effecting the improvements and might have proceeded more cautiously and made the necessary changes gradually so as not to have created opposition against him

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greater care in inspecting the provisions supplied and acted with more tact in the management of the jail.

Sd 10/3/16 for Rev Secy

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Rlew 24.3.16.

To the I.G. of Prisons returning enclosures.

The Comptroller to Book.

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